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Gutenberg reinvented for the West
the method of movable print that
the Chinese had discovered centuries
earlier. The rapid dissemination
of information and knowledge
became possible in Europe

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WAR OF ROSES

Yorkists (White rose) defeat the Lancastrians
(Red Rose)

The feebleness of Henry VI encouraged
the Duke of York, descendant of Edward III
to aspire to the throne

Battles: St Albans; T. BLORE HEATH; Northampton;
Torton; Barnet; Tewkesbury (won by Yorkist)
Battles Wakefield; St. Albans; Edward of
York crowned

leaders: Richard & Edward, Duke & York
+ Earl of Warwick (later Lancastrian)

leaders: Henry VI & Queen Margaret

House of York, in person of Edward IV
supplanted the House of Lancaster
on the English throne.

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Calixtus III Pope,

Wars of the Roses begin in
England.

May 22, 1455

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St. Albans

A city of HERTFORDSHIRE, England and
the scene of two battles during the
Wars of the Roses.

① Richard, duke of York defeated
and took prisoner, Henry VI of England

1455 nearly 1456

Gutenberg finished his Bible

1455

Gutenberg Bible, first
book published in cast
metal movable type, launches
a cultural revolution.

1455-1485

Wars of the Roses

struggle for throne of England
between houses of Lancaster of
England (Red Rose) and York (white rose)
Yorkists captured Henry VI at Northampton
July 10, 1460.

Yorkists were defeated at Wakefield
Dec 30, 1460

Lancastrians were defeated at
Mortimer's Cross Feb 2, 1461.

hen costnors were defeated at Towton Field
Mar. 29, 1461

Richard III (Oct 2, 1452 - Aug 22, 1485) was
defeated and killed by hen costnor clernord
Henry Tudor later Henry VII at Bosworth
Field Aug 22, 1485

AD 1455

Printing press: Germany, dated
for the first well-printed book in
Europe. T. Gutenberg's Bibl of AD 1455.
Subsequent developments included the
high-speed; rotary press AD 1865;
typewriter 1867

c 1455

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MAZARIN Bible Published at Mainz [date]

Gutenberg's printing machine produced its first masterpiece. Printing was known in China in 9th century. Was re-invented in Europe in 15th cen. In 1454 Pope Nicholas V announced an indulgence on a piece of paper printed with movable type (the earliest European printing to which a definite date can be assigned). The discovery is attributed to Johann Gutenberg of Germany. His machine used movable type, cast in molds, which

was hand-set and printed on handmade paper or vellum. The first important book printed by his press was the Bible (a copy was found in the library of Cardinal NAZARIN of France - in the 17th cent) (hence called Nauvion Bible). It was several yrs in the making but was completed by 1455 & later. It is also called the Mainz Bible (Büntemberg worked there after 1437. (also called Büntemberg Bible) (Also called 42-line Bible, Typeface is Gothic script. Presses were established in Cologne 1464, Rome 1467, Paris 1470. The new technology facilitated the spread of classical learning during the Renaissance.

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End 1485

Wars of the Roses Began

The houses of York and Lancaster struggle for mastery in England. Both houses were descended from Edward III. They lasted from Battle of St Albans in 1455 to the accession

of Henry Tudor in 1485. The nobility ranged itself about equally in support of both houses.

First Richard, Duke of York was made regent on the insanity of his cousin, the Lancastrian Henry VI. When Henry VI regained his mind, Richard

was exiled from court & was killed at Battle of Wakefield (1460). Richard's son, Edward IV usurped the throne in 1461 after victory at Towton in Yorkshire, the largest battle in the wars with 50,000 in the field. Harry VI, feeble then ever regained the throne in 1470 but was imprisoned in Tower of London in 1471, followed by death of his son, Edward, the great Lancastrian hope during a crushing Yorkist victory at the Battle of Tewkesbury (1471). Henry was murdered a few days later. Three Yorkist Kings - (Edward IV, Edward V, Richard II) then held the crown until it was won on Bosworth field by Henry Tudor in 1485.

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Battle of St Albans

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Sir John FOSTOLP sends a letter
Written at CAISTER the vii day
of February, Anno XXXIII H. VI

We must know the reign of
Henry VI began on Sept 1, 1422
before we can date this letter of
his 33rd year in 1455

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England

War of the Roses begins.

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Wars of the Roses (Red Rose of
Boucicault, White Rose of York)

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BATTLE OF ST ALBANS

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WARS of the ROSES

Indecisive Lancaster vs York

1455 - Battle of St Albans

1455-1485

WAR OF ROSES

House of York supports that of
Lancaster in English Throne.

BATTLES : ST. ALBANS; BLORE HEATH; WAKEFIELD;
TOWTON; BARNET; TENS BURY

LEADERS: Richard, Duke of York; Edward Duke
of York; Earl of Warwick; Queen
Margaret; Henry VI

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The BURGUNDEAN Bibl was
printed in Latin. In Europe
over 100 editions of the VULGATE
alone appeared before 1517 AD
and these were mostly in
vernacular versions, too.

1455-1485

War of Roses (Civil wars between
rival noble factions) began in
England.

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Having invented printing with
movable type at MAINZ, Germany
Johann Gutenberg completed the
first printed Bible

1455 AD

Printing Press

In Germany, printing presses began turning out fine books in 1455.

The concept of printing, and the paper too, were Chinese in origin, yet the mechanisms were indigenous, not least in the woodpecker screw - the Chinese had overlooked the screw.

the products of the presses would exclude nonnational manuals and histories of voyages, but Bibles had power, as weapons in religious wars. A European custom was to serve God by burning nonbelievers and heretics at the stake; a similar credulity, which nourished the sun by tearing out human hearts, was thriving in the Americas, where the warrior kings of the Aztecs in Mexico and the Inca in Peru were unaware of what Europeans had in store for them. Such practices had little effect on global population numbers, which recovered in the mid-15th century.